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Applicants : Maino et al.

For : METHOD FOR DETECTING T CELL RESPONSE
TO SPECIFIC ANTIGENS IN WHOLE BLOOD

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REQUEST FOR FILING A RULE 53(d)
CONTINUING PATENT APPLICATION

Sir:

This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation, ☐ divisional, application, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (continued prosecution application (CPA)), of pending prior Application No. 08/803,702, filed February 21, 1997.

1. ☐ Please enter the Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed _____ in Application No. _____.
2. ☒ A preliminary amendment with Appendices is enclosed.
- 2a. ☒ Declaration of John D. Altman, Ph.D., under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 (with Exhibits A - H).
- 2b. ☒ Declaration of Calman P. Prussin, M.D., under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 (with Exhibits A - F).

3. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)(4)). Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior application: _____

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4. ☒ Please calculate the fees after entry of the accompanying preliminary amendment.

The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION

| FOR | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE | FEE |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|------------|-----------|
| BASIC FEE | | | | \$ 710.00 |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 69 | - 20 = 49 | x \$ 18 = | \$ 882.00 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 1 | - 3 = 0 | x \$ 80 = | \$ 0.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS | | | + \$ 270 = | \$ 270.00 |
| TOTAL | | | | \$1862.00 |

5. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 1862.00 in payment of the filing fee is enclosed.
6. ☐ Please charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 06-1075 in payment of the filing fee. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.
7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.
8. ☒ The power of attorney in prior Application No. 08/803,702 is to:

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- 8a. ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- 8b. ☐ Because the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

8c. ☐ Because the undersigned's power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the undersigned's power in the prior application is enclosed.

9. ☒ Address all future communications to:

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10. ☒ A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.

11. ☒ Please grant a ☒ one-month, ☐ two-month, ☐ three-month, ☐ four-month, ☐ five-month, extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to the two-month period set by 37 C.F.R. § 1.192 from the filing of applicants' September 27, 2000 Notice of Appeal in Application No. 08/803,702, extending time to respond to and including December 27, 2000, so that this Request will be filed while that application is still pending.

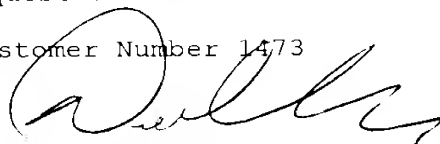
12. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 110.00 in payment of the extension-of-time fee is enclosed.

13. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional extension-of-time fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with this paper, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

14. ☐ Please charge the extension-of-time fee of \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

15. ☒ Please associate this application with Customer Number 1473

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